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Hongkong, February 3, 1902. 253

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 68.

INFORMATION has been received from

the MILITARY AUTHORITIES

that gun practice will be carried out by the

Hongkong Volunteer Corps from Lai-chi-

lok on the 8th of February, 1902, in a

North-Westerly direction over a land and

sea range, between the hours of 30 A.M.

and sunset.

All ships, junks and other vessels

are cautioned to keep clear of the range.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,

Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, January 15, 1901. 252

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Hongkong, January 28, 1902.

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Intimations.

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THE Twenty-first Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, Pedder's Street, at 12.30 p.m., on THURSDAY, 6th February, to receive a statement of the Company's Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1901, and the Report of the General Managers.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 27th inst. to the 6th proximo, both days inclusive.

JARDINE MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, January 26, 1902.

Intimations.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of this Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 14, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on TUESDAY, 11th February, 1902, at 11 o'clock a.m., when the Subject of the Resolution which was proposed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 22nd January, 1902, will be submitted for consideration as per the Resolutions.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That the Capital of the Company be reduced from \$2,000,000 divided into 100,000 shares of \$20 each, to \$722,000 divided into 36,100 shares of \$20 each, and that such reduction be effected by cancelling the uncalled capital of \$128,000 per share on 27,200 shares which have been issued, and by cancelling 27,200 shares which have not been taken up and agreed to be taken up by any person.

2. That after such reduction the Capital of the Company be increased to \$2,000,000 by the creation of 127,800 new shares of \$20 each, of which 27,800 may be allotted in such manner, at such times and to such persons as the General Managers shall think fit, but the remaining 100,000 shares shall not be issued without the consent of the shareholders in General Meeting.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, January 23, 1902.

Intimations.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders of this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on WEDNESDAY, the 12th February, 1902, at Twelve o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1901.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from MONDAY, the 3rd February, to WEDNESDAY, the 12th February, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Acting Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.

Agents for the Kowloon Land and Building Company, Ltd.
Hongkong, January 28, 1902.

Intimations.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders of this Corporation will be held at the CURRY HALL, HONGKONG, on SATURDAY, the 15th day of February next, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1901.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
(Sd.) T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 28, 1902.

Intimations.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from SATURDAY, the 15th day of February next (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors
(Sd.) T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 23, 1902.

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO. LTD.

THE EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 14, Des Voeux Road, Victoria, on 17th FEBRUARY, 1902, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1901, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 12th to the 17th February, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, February 1, 1902.

Intimations.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Eleventh ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the National Bank of China, Limited, will be held at the Bank's premises, Queen's Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 1st March, at Noon, for the purpose following, namely:—

To receive and consider statement of accounts and balance sheet to 31st December, 1901, the reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon, to elect Auditors and transact the other ordinary business of the Company.

The TRANSFER BOOKS and Register of Members of the Company will be closed from the 15th day of February to 1st March, 1902, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

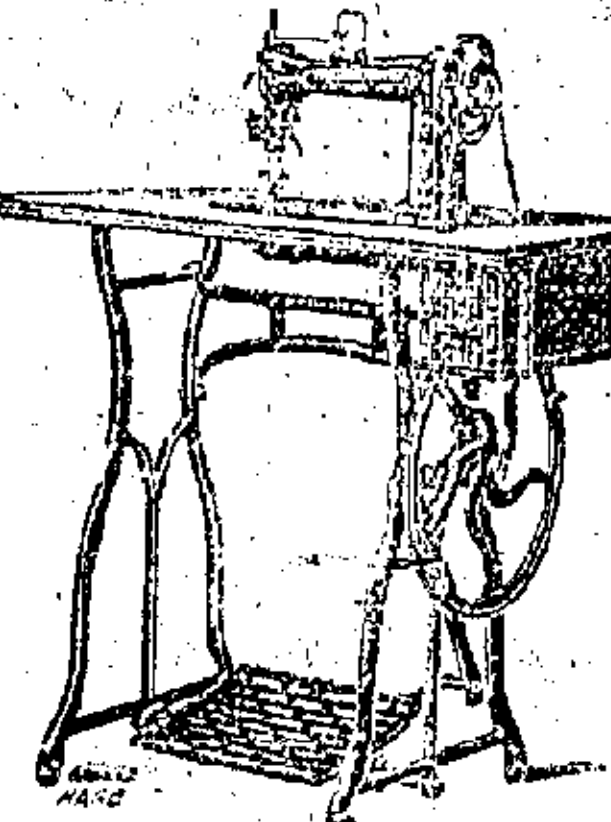
Hongkong, January 31, 1902.

Intimations.

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Intimations.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 10 per Cent, or \$1.50 per Share, declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders, held on this day, will be PAYABLE at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after WEDNESDAY, the 6th February, 1902.

Shareholders are requested to apply to the Office of the Company for WARRANTS.

By order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 4, 1902.

Intimations.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the OFFICES of the Company, Queen's Buildings, New Prince, on MONDAY, the 24th February, 1902, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts of the 31st December, 1901.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to 24th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 1, 1902.

Intimations.

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Intimations.

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Hongkong, December 4, 1901.

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Hongkong, January 6, 1901.

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S. A. SETH,
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Top Floor, 37, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, January 25, 1902.

Intimations.

FROM the 1st of January, 1902, an OFFICE.
Apply to
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
Superintendent's Office,
3, Queen's Building, Top Floor.
Hongkong, December 14, 1901.

Intimations.

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Hongkong, January 21, 1902.

Intimations.

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THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, February 1, 1902.

Intimations.

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No. 147, WANCHAI ROAD, ROOMS Nos. 4, 5, 7 and 8. Suitable for APARTMENTS or BOARDING HOUSES.
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SANG KEE,
72, Wing Lok Street.
Hongkong, January 13, 1902.

Intimations.

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NEITHER the Captain the Agents, nor the Owners will be Responsible for any Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew in the following Vessel, during its stay at Hongkong Harbour:—
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NIOLA, Norwegian barque, Capt. Carlsen, Order.
SERRA MIRANDA, British ship, Capt. A. McMaster—Natal Home Keeper.

THE CHEMISTRY OF THE NEW POSTAGE-STAMPS.

The nature of the colouring matter used for distinguishing the value of postage-stamps is, as we have pointed out before, a matter of some importance, for, however dangerous the dirty practice of licking stamps may prove to be, the convenience of possessing a moist tongue for the purpose cannot be resisted by most people. That the habit has its dangers is no hypothesis. Blood-poisoning has without the slightest doubt been traced to licking an infected postage-stamp, and the chances of a postage-stamp becoming infectious are obviously abundant. We may at least expect the postal authorities to avoid as far as possible the use of doubtful colouring materials on stamps, and we have reason for believing that considerable care is exercised to secure this desirable result. This year it was decided to revert to red as the distinguishing colour of the penny stamp, and all the new stamps bear the portrait of His Majesty the King. In the particular instance of the new penny stamp the colour, as we find by experiment, is admirably adapted for the purpose. We have been able to recognize it as one of the innocuous aniline reds, which is peculiarly resistant to atmospheric action or the action of moisture. Indeed, strong acids disturb it but little. We could find no injurious matters present, no irritant or metallic poison. The new halfpenny stamp, we find, is coloured with similar innocent materials to those which we found on a previous. The adhesive material is dextrin or British gum in all instances. From a chemical standpoint, therefore, the postage-stamps are not likely to prove poisonous, although in giving this opinion it is well to reiterate that infection from septic matter must always remain a strong possibility (when it is considered how postage-stamps are handled and how they are left lying about, frequently under as undesirable environment), so long as the habit of licking them is persisted in.—*The Lancet.*

HONGKONG AND HANOI COMPARED.

A correspondent writes to the *Strait Times* from Hanoi as follows:—There is one characteristic of French rule in Tonkin that immediately appeals to those accustomed to Hongkong, Singapore or Penang. Here in Tonkin one feels that the Colony is largely ruled in the interests of the white man, that the tendency is rather to push the native to one side; whereas in Hongkong or Singapore it is the Chinaman who comes first in official consideration and the white trade a long long way behind. From many points of view the two systems find their supporters, though the golden mean remains yet to be discovered or at least adapted. Thus in Hanoi the Annamite has his town apart which, however, is lighted by electricity and cleaned in a manner that would surprise many sanitary inspectors of Hongkong; neither can the native build how and where he chooses. He is strictly limited to certain rules and regulations and is made to clearly understand that the Colony is to be directed on European models and not in any sense given over to Asiatic backsliding. And it is difficult to civil at such treatment. The Annamite is well treated and kindly treated; but he is governed more as a schoolboy or infant than a grown responsible being. And surely this regime is the one best adapted for any Oriental people who are but emerging from their own civilization and assuming that of the foreigner. In Pondichery your Indian has been accorded the franchise! And to the use he makes of it the eternal political scandals of that pettifogging possession bear evidence. Neither your Chinaman, Japanese, Annamite nor Filipino is fit or able to exercise the rights and privileges accorded to the European under present conditions. Each and all may be competent to direct a civilization of their own, or a bastard article grafted on European systems; but if the East is to be civilized—if such civilization as Europe supplies be considered the *Summit* bonum of European effort, then the native, be he Annamite or Indian, Javanese, Chinese or Filipino must be long kept in leading strings, or at least until such time as he has shed the last shred of his unsavoury national traditions.

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FRANCE AND CHINA.

In a recent issue of the *Deutsche Coloniale*, M. Galland deals with the subject of French interests in China, and in doing so gives returns extending over several years. From these we learn that the imports into France from China in 1890 were valued at over nine millions sterling, or nearly three times the value of the imports in 1895. On the other hand, the exports from France to China have been almost stationary and amount to only two hundred thousand pounds sterling in value. In public loans in China the French capital invested exceeds twenty millions sterling. Foremost among the railways in which interests are concerned is the Hankow-Peking line, which has a length of 776 miles, and which was conceded to a Franco-Belgian Syndicate. The loan contracted for the construction of this railway amounted to £4,500,000, three-fifths of which were contributed by France. The Syndicate also obtained the right to work the mines in the neighbourhood of the line and to construct branch lines where necessary. A subsidiary company has been formed for the working of the mines. In Shan-si, the French group of the Russo-Chinese Bank has obtained the concession for constructing a railway 153 miles long from Tai-yuen-fu to Ching-ting-fu, serving the Ping-tung coal basin and joining the Peking-Hankow line. The concession provides for the extension of the line in a south-westerly direction, thus giving it a total length of from 300 to 370 miles. A Franco-Belgian syndicate obtained on the 6th December, 1899, the concession for a line running by the side of the Yellow River from Kai-fong-fu, the capital of Honan, and a future station on the Peking-Hankow line, to Ho-nan-fu, with an ultimate extension to Singan-fu, the capital of Shen-si. The concession for a railway of local interest for House to Kiangnan, near Hangchow, was granted in February, 1898, to a French syndicate. The French Government, moreover, has obtained from China an undertaking that only a French or a Franco-Chinese company will have the right of constructing a railway from Fakhoo to a point to be determined on the West River, and the concession for a railway connecting a point on the Kwangchow Bay to a point on the east coast of the peninsula of Lei-chow. Besides those mining concessions granted conjointly with the construction of railways, several other concessions have been granted as follows:—Anthracite beds in Hupei; coal mines in Kiangsu; coal and iron mines, petroleum beds and metallic mines in Szechuan; mercury, coal, and iron mines in Kwei-chow; and various mines in Kwang-lung.

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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Meeting.

12.30 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Ltd., at the Company's Office.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Sancho* not cleared this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

Friday, February 7.—

2 p.m. Hongkong Amateur Athletic Sports at the Grounds of the 'Taikoo' Club at Quarry Bay.

Saturday, February 8.—

Local Banks close.

Insurance Offices close.

Sunday, February 9.—

Goods per *Chien* not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Sichuan* undelivered after Noon this date landed.

Monday, February 10.—

Local Banks close.

Insurance Offices close.

Goods per *Henan* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Transfer Banks of The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Ltd., closed from this date to the 24th Feb., inclusive.

Tuesday, February 11.—

11 a.m.—Extraordinary General Meeting of The China President Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

Wednesday, February 12.—

Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

Transfer Banks of The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Ltd., closed from this date to the 24th Feb., inclusive.

Thursday, February 13.—

11 a.m.—Transfer of Hull of *Turquoise* No. 20 received in the Naval Yard up to Noon.

31st January, 1902.

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DEATH.

At the General Hospital, Shanghai, suddenly, on the 31st January, BENJAMIN WANSLEY, aged 44 years.

The publication of this issue commenced at 5.30 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1902.

The local shipping trade is dull. At this period of every year, there is a spell of dullness; but since the opening of the present year the shipping business has been going from bad to worse until it has reached low water mark. In the opinion of those most competent to speak, the lowest depth has not yet been sounded. All over the East, trade is unusually dull, and the outlook for the next few months are far from reassuring. A glance at Messrs. Lambe and Rogge's Freight Circular, published in another column, will show how low freights have become, and what prospects there are for the immediate future in some of the leading local lines of trade. So unrepresentative are some of the rates offered and so uncertain the prospect of return cargoes that some firms have laid up their vessels for the usual yearly overhaul, while others are resorting to various shifts to utilize the spare tonnage at rates which will cover maintenance and general expenses, irrespective of profit. That Hongkong and the Farther East are not the only places suffering from low freights and lack of employment for tonnage is evident from the circulars of London brokers. In one of these now before us, it is pointed out that though the amount of goods transported during the past year has been little short of the amount in 1900, the rates of freight show highly unsatisfactory results, and have fallen to a point at which no longer pays to trade steamers. One of the causes of this is the overbuilding of tonnage consequent on the universal revival of trade between 1897 and 1900, and the shipping trade is suffering now in sympathy with the depression in trade generally, which seems to be a periodic occurrence. Periods of inflation are succeeded by periods of depression. Contraction follows expansion. The pendulum is now on this side, now on that; and keeping in mind past experience of cycles of trade depression there is no need to take a too pessimistic view of the future. Trade adjusts itself according to the immutable laws of supply and demand. Shipowners have had to contend with falling rates of freight coincident with rising wages and appreciated prices for fuel. The wages problem is likely to grow more serious if steamers are to multiply while the supply of seamen is to fall away; but engineers and shipowners, in considering the economical running of steamers, will probably tackle the fuel question as it has never been tackled before, and the next decade is likely to witness some revolutionary changes in this connection.

Every part of the world has its own peculiar conditions. Here in the Far East, there are several influences at work which may bring about a radical change of the situation at any moment. Were the British Government, for instance, to adopt a change of policy towards Japan, there might be less tendency on the part of the Japanese to kill British interests in Formosa. The Japanese have now a strong hold on maritime affairs in the Far East, and they are succeeding in their skillfully devised efforts to force the foreign commercial houses in Formosa to close their business and to make unprofitable the running of British steamers between Formosa and the Chinese mainland. This, we say, is being done by deliberate design, at a time when Japan is allowed to participate as freely as our own shipowners in the trade of India, Australia and Great Britain, without any harassing restrictions or petty annoyances. Coupled with Japanese competition, British shipowners have to face the carefully planned competition of Germany. Steadily but surely, the German houses are getting a firm position in the coasting trade of the Far East and have already monopolised some of the important runs. Soon, the Americans will compete in Eastern waters as they have never done before, so that the outlook for British shipping may not, for the moment, appear very bright. But the chief hope of the future lies in the development

of the trade of China. Germany's influence in Shanghai will be directed, it is reasonable to suppose, to the improvement of foreign trade with the natives, and the internal trade must be developed to make the German railways in the Province a profitable investment. What the future will bring to the country beyond Tientsin, Chingwangtso and Newchwang it is hazardous to guess, but we think the tendency among foreign observers in North China is generally hopeful. China is on the verge of important changes. Whether these will be forwarded or retarded by the Imperial authorities it is too soon to prophesy; but if it is impressed upon them that the abolition of local restrictions to the flow of trade and commerce and the establishment of industrial concerns will benefit the Imperial Treasury in the end, then self-interest is likely to effect the long-deferred opening up of China. Given opportunities for producing wealth, the Chinese people will not be slow to improve the occasion. Unfortunately, it is not possible to say what the revision of treaties will effect, but we are hopeful that the impending change will be beneficial to foreign trade as well as to the Chinese themselves, and we hope the shipping interests will be able to report a rapid and enormous improvement during the current year.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Refusing to pay Hire.
Yesterday, William Self, A. B., H.M.S. *Osama*, displayed a very selfish nature when he refused to pay his ricksha coolie what was proper and just, and when the ricksha puller expostulated, assaulted him. The Magistrate did not hesitate to fine him \$5, and \$2 as compensation for the coolie.

The King of Siam.
The following paragraph is taken from an American contemporary:—The King of Siam is expected to visit Denmark in the near future. He will make a tour of Europe. Denmark is held in high esteem by King Chulalongkorn, Siam's prince, who has resided there, Prince Chulalongkorn, in royal circles, and several Danish nobles hold prominent positions under the Government of Siam.

More Anti-Foreign Placards.
Atrocious anti-foreign placards are again being posted in various places in Hsin-fu. They predict that there will be a general massacre of foreigners after Chinese New Year, and exhort members of these societies to prepare for the event. The local authorities are endeavouring to trace the placards to their source with a view to the punishment of those responsible for them.

Wreck of the 'Knight Companion.'
News was received in the Colony yesterday that the *Knight Companion*, which left Hongkong for Portland on 15th November last, had been wrecked at Klamath, near Koke, on the return journey. Full details of the wreck are not yet to hand, but, as the Captain and crew are stated to be on their way to Yokohama, it is believed that the vessel is a total loss. The owners are Messrs. Greenfields, Corrie and Co., Liverpool. The vessel, which is 2620 tons net, was loaded with flour, mostly for Mr. A. H. Rennie, Hongkong.

Small Cruisers for Philippines.
The *McNichol* reported on the 23rd ult. that S. C. Parnham, Boyd & Co., of Shanghai, had contracted to build 10 war vessels for the Manila Government at a cost of \$52,337 gold each. The *Uraga* Dockyard Co. secured an order for 5 vessels at \$56,250 each. Mr. Tsukahara, President of the Company, proceeded to Manila a few days before to sign the contract. By successful bidding for the remaining five vessels is not yet known. The tender put in by the Kawasaki Dockyard at Kobe was the highest, the figure being \$90,000 for each vessel.

Death of Mr. F. F. Lowder.
Mr. F. F. Lowder, the senior British lawyer in Japan, died on the 28th ult. in Yokohama. The cause of death is found to be dropsy. Mr. Lowder was formerly in the Japanese government service at Tokyo, and then started practice in Yokohama, where he has lived for nearly thirty years. He attained especial prominence in the *Ruvenen-Chishima* collision case between the Japanese government and the P. & O.; and in his defence of Mrs. Carow. Mr. Lowder incurred the displeasure of the foreign community of Japan by his unsuccessful attempt to shift Mrs. Carow's crime on to an innocent governess.

Sanitary Precautions.
The Sanitary Board meets to-morrow, when Dr. Clark, Medical Officer of Health, will move:—That the Board define that portion of the City of Victoria, east of Tank Lane and Cleverly Street, and west of Glenavil, Wyndham Street and Peddar Street, as districts within which officers of the Board shall make a house-to-house visitation for the purpose of cleansing and disinfecting the premises contained therein, in accordance with Bye-law No. 1 of the Bye-laws governing the prevention of epidemics, endemic or contagious diseases under section 13 of Ordinance 13 of 1901.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

According to the Chinese Calendar, Spring (*Li-Ch'un*) begins to-day.

The Tokio Gas Company pays a dividend of 10 per cent for the past year.

The French Parliamentary Elections will take place in the middle of May next.

The death is announced, from diabetes, of M. Bally, Governor-General of the French Colonies in West Africa.

The longest span of submarine cable in existence will be that between Vancouver and Fanning Island, 3,070 miles apart. The task of laying it was to commence last month.

To-day, six weeks' imprisonment was the punishment meted out to Yeung Ping for smothering the watch of a cook whom he met in the street.

France has the largest national debt, \$5,800,000,000—\$100.61 (gold) per head of the population. Australia has a debt of \$1,183,000,000, or \$222.90 per head, leading all nations in this respect.

An Englishman's letter cannot be inserted. In some respects, it is inaccurate; in others, it is not calculated, in our opinion, to do any good to the cause of educational reform in Hongkong.

The vessels built or authorized by U.S. Congress since the Spanish war more than equal in tonnage the regular naval vessels of the United States then had. The effectiveness of guns has also been doubled.

We learn from Shanghai contemporaries that at the recent audience given to the Foreign Ministers at Peking, the Empress-Dowager occupied the Throne, while the Emperor was seated on a low dais in front. The Emperor is reported to be looking better than he did when last seen in public.

The Sports at Quarry Bay.

For the convenience of the public attending the Amateur Athletic Sports at Quarry Bay on Friday, special lanchettes, (side advertisements) will leave the Queen's Statue wharf at 1.30, and 2 p.m.

Fire.

A dwelling house at No. 21, Eastern Street caught fire early this morning. The building, a two-story one, is very old and was soon gutted. The Brigade, under Mr. Kemp, was present and saved adjoining property. Damage to the extent of \$1000 was done. The property is insured.

An Unfriendly Deputy Removed.

It is reported from Hankow (says the *Shanghai Mercury*) that a Deputy named Li Yu-yung, whom the Hankow Customs Tsoai, has stationed in the Foreign Settlement of Hankow to conduct business with foreigners on behalf of the Tsoai, has been removed, because a certain Consul complained to the Tsoai that Li was unfriendly to him and insisted that he be transferred elsewhere.

Interpret Football.

The following team is expected to represent Kobe against Yokohama at football on the 15th inst.:—Goal—Lightfoot; full backs—Lias and Evans; half backs—Hancock, Weed and James; forwards—Gutterres, Crane, Green and W. Brauss. It may interest Hongkong players to read the following criticisms of two men who have played for the Hongkong F.C.:—
Hancock.—The sprinter of the crowd. A good tackler, but lacks judgment in feeding his forwards. Excellent in kicking corners.

Green.—Has been playing full back all the season but is going centre forward. His doing so he will strengthen the attack considerably. Judging from his former play as a forward, he should do fairly well; a good shot but rather selfish. He is the skipper this year.

A Shame.

Notwithstanding the fact that the water supply is still out short, and that people can obtain water only at a limited period in the early morning, the Sanitary Board continues to prosecute poor people for failing to wash their floors. Only yesterday a poor woman, with a child on her back, went to jail because she was unable to pay a fine of ten dollars for this offence. Would it not be sufficient if that active and intelligent body, the Sanitary Board, instructed its officers in these times of scarcity of water to prosecute only where floors are not swept clean, because when water may not be obtainable a broom can always be had. This law seems only to affect the lower class of people, and, as they have got to be out early to get a place at the public street hydrant to obtain water enough for drinking purposes only, let alone floor-scrubbing, it seems particularly hard on them, and certainly a miscarriage of justice, if they have to go to prison. As a matter of fact, the poor people of the east and west ends may be seen any morning almost, during the restricted hours of supply, fighting for their turn at the street hydrant. The attention of those in authority is drawn to this in the hope that a speedy remedy may be effected.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Hongkong Benevolent Society.

The members of the Committee of the Hongkong Benevolent Society wish to tender their thanks to all those who so fully assisted them in getting up the Subscription Dance held on the 24th January, and have much pleasure in informing them that, after paying all expenses, a sum of \$1828.90 has been added to the Society's funds.

Drain Flushing.

The present time does not seem to be inopportune to try the effects of sea water upon the drains. Last year, when the plague epidemic was at its height, this plan was adopted with, apparently, good results. The flow of water in the drains at the present time can be only very slight, and if plague breeds in the drains it is getting every opportunity to do so. A correspondent suggests that the authorities might utilise the sea water for flushing both in Victoria and at Kowloon before the disease makes headway. We commend his suggestion to the Sanitary Board and the Public Works Department.

Scotch Canniness.

The following story has an air of freshness about it though it deals with an ancient theme of the professional 'Joe Miller':—A wealthy, but eccentric, farmer had married three daughters, making a condition in each case that the son-in-law should place \$100 in his (the old man's) coffin when he died. He was gathered to his fathers in due course. One son-in-law, an Irishman, placed \$100 in bank-notes in the coffin. The second, an Englishman, deposited \$100 in gold. The third, a Scotchman, with much complaining as to the 'waste' of 'siller,' dropped his cheque for \$250 into the coffin, and took out the notes and gold as change. See it?

Stowaways to Manila.

The stowaway business seems to be increasing of late, and it appears as if a gang of men are at work in the Colony procuring these illicit passages to Manila. In view of the heavy fines which are inflicted on ships at Manila for taking stowaways down, Companies and their Captains have of late been keeping a special watch, and the result has been that several captives have been made. To-day, Captain Blackland of the *Perla* had a stowaway before Mr. Kemp, at the Magistrate's. It appeared that the stowaway was arrested at Manila on the arrival of the *Perla* from Hongkong and was brought back to Hongkong. A fine of \$50, with the alternative of two months' imprisonment was inflicted. Such punishment as this ought to have a deterring effect.

The Lady Doctor.

The Governors of Maclesfield Infirmary, at a recent special meeting, received a letter from Miss Murdoch Glasgow, resigning the post of house surgeon, in order that the Governors might be relieved from the difficult position in which they had been placed by the resignation of the medical staff as a protest against her appointment. A proposition to grant Miss Clarke a quarter's salary by way of solatium was objected to and was not pressed, but the Governors decided to raise amongst themselves £100 and present it to the lady. The medical staff have adhered to their original condition that the lady should leave, but they have always disclaimed any personal feeling against her. They merely desired to maintain the principle that a lady doctor could not properly perform the work of a mixed hospital, and, furthermore, that their views should be considered in the appointment of any medical officer of the Infirmary.

The Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

The Osaka Shosen Kaisha held its half-yearly general meeting of shareholders at the Osaka Club on the 22nd ult., when the directors of the Company presented their report of the business during the past half-year. The freight traffic of the Company had been affected by the enactment of the rice embargo in Korea, the postponement of the Government undertakings in Formosa, and the recent financial depression in the interior. It was also reported that Yen 140,000 had been needed for floating the wrecked steamer *Dairu-maru*, and four million yen, for the extension of the Company's business. The statement of accounts, which was approved by the shareholders, show that the earnings for the latter half of last year amounted to yen 773,357, of which Yen 187,000 has been put aside as insurance account, Yen 200,000 to repairs of vessels and Yen 120,000 to depreciation. The net profit amounted to Yen 234,357. Out of this sum Yen 120,000 was set aside as reserve, Yen 12,000 to bonuses, and Yen 275,000 as dividends at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum. The balance, Yen 302,343, including Yen 64,642, brought forward from the last account was carried to next year's account.

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TELEGRAMS.

[RUSSIA'S SERVICE.]

HOLLAND AND THE WAR.
LONDON, 3rd February 1902.
It is generally believed that Great Britain has rejected the Dutch proposals regarding the Boers.

It is stated at the Hague that Holland intends to re-model her offer, and renew diplomatic representations with Great Britain. The negotiations are likely to be prolonged.

RUSSIA AND MANCHURIA.

Lord Cranborne states that the Russian Government has not receded from its intention, previously announced, to evacuate Manchuria, and that it is understood negotiations in connection therewith are still proceeding.

PROMENADE CONCERT.

The second promenade concert organized for the benefit of the widow of 'Colour Sergeant Kirby, Royal Welch Fusiliers,' took place in the Theatre Royal last night. The almost arctic coldness of the atmosphere again militated against the attendance, and the financial result of what, given other conditions, would have been a splendid 'draw' has far from come up to expectations. It is to be regretted that this is so, because Bandmaster Moir and others had exerted themselves to the full extent of their power to make the concert successful both financially and musically. In the latter respect, there is no gainsaying that they succeeded. The orchestral pieces last night were again excellent: Mrs. Gordon and Mrs. Mudd made their second appearance, and both sang exquisitely. Mrs. D. E. Brown, another of our highly cultured and talented songstresses, gave a splendid rendering of 'La Sencera' with pretty violin obligato by Lieutenant Dale. R.W.F. Mr. Terrilli's singing was very fine, and Mr. Hay also acquitted himself well. Mr. Goldring was again an absentee. The following was the programme:—

PART I.

1 Overture... 'Poet and Peasant'... Suppe.
ORCHESTRA
(Conductor... E.M.M. 'Albion')
2 Song... 'Where'er you go'... Somerset.
Mr. P. W. Gossop.
3 Song... 'La Sencera'... Braga.
Mrs. Brown.
(Violin Obligato Mr. C. H. Dale, R.W.F.)
4 Piano-forte... 'Value de'... Wieniawski.
Sole... 'Concerto'... Wieniawski.
Mr. E. H. DANENBERG.
5 Song... 'Valse de la Son'... Gossop.
Mr. C. H. P. Hay.
6 Comic Song... 'We've all been having a go'... Mr. E. G. JORDAN.
7... 'Pizzicato'... 'Des Menu'... Desormes.
Conductor... J. H. Moir, B.M., R.W.F.
(Halle of) Kerker... 5th
Selections... 'New York'... Hyde.
'Belle of Bohemia'... Jones.
The Indian... 'Dholak'... Bombay Infantry.
Mangini.

PART II.

1 Overture... 'William Tell'... Rossini.
ORCHESTRA
2 Song... 'The King's'... Ciro Pinsuti.
Minstrel.
Mr. TERRILLI.
3 Song... Kathleen Mavourneen... Crouch.
Mrs. Moir.
4 Violin Solo... 'Andante'... Gillet.
Mr. C. H. Dale, R.W.F.
5 Song... 'Winter'... Scott Gatty.
Mrs. Gossop.
6 Comic Song... 'Nothing New'... Mr. E. G. JORDAN.
7 Intermezzo... 'From Cavaliers'... Mascagni.
Rusticiana.
ORCHESTRA
(Conductor... E.M.M. 'Orlando')
God Save the King!

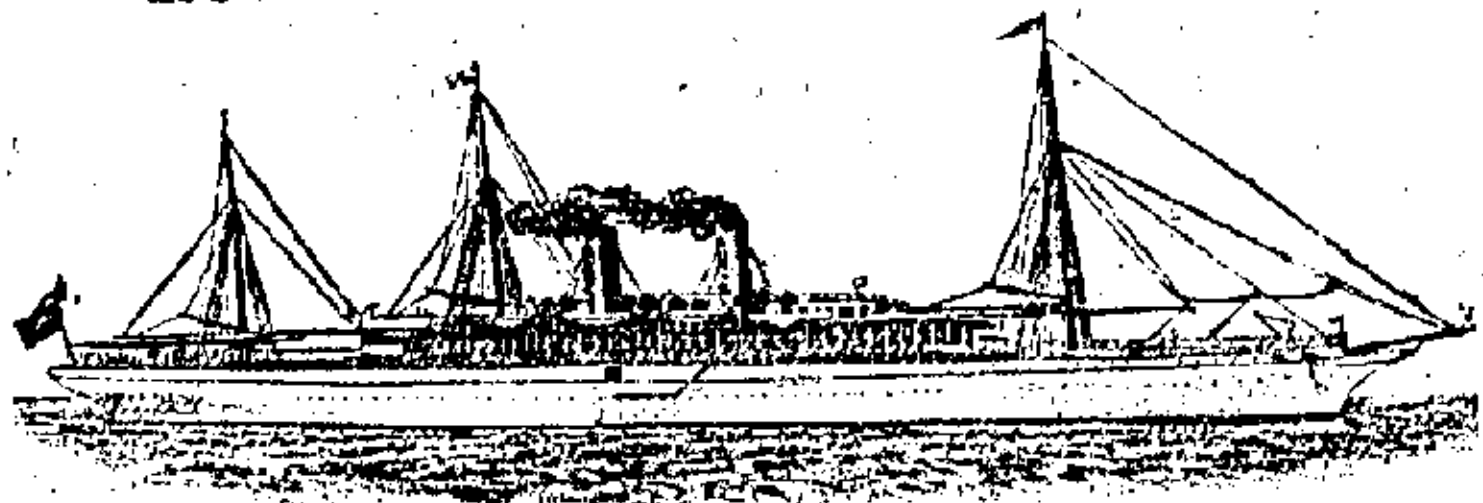
Japanese Courts.

'Looker-on' writes in the *Japan Gazette*:—A two-foot rule is an admirable instrument and always carried by the practical mechanic, but if he wanted to calculate the resistance of a beam, or the voltage of a current, he would not rely solely on his little two-foot rule. But some of these Japanese officials are given their excellent rule as an assistance in their work and apply it for every kind of work, in a way that both makes them ridiculous and neutralizes their honest effort to do the right thing. There is that Court rule that no one is to be allowed to wear an out-of-door garment in a Court-room. This may have been a very good rule in some country, from which it was borrowed, to enforce respect and prevent people carrying concealed weapons, &c. But it doesn't always apply here. Especially when the weather is chilly and everyone is respectful and peaceably inclined. For instance, a foreign lady, beautiful and delicate of health, entered a cold Court-room not a thousand miles from Yokohama recently, and was becoming and safely (considering the low temperature) arrayed in beautiful fashions. She was ordered to take them off. She explained that doffing them might mean her death. But the two-foot rule must be applied. Luckily her husband was within call, and he managed to obfuscate the judicial mechanic, but it was a near thing, and that lady has left Japan to escape being judicially frozen to death. Let us not be offended, but let us reason together in favour of common sense.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Destinations.	Sailing Dates.
KAWACHI MARU, F. S. THOMPSON.	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	SATURDAY, 8th Feb., at Daylight.
TOSA MARU, H. CHRISTENSEN.	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, U.S.A., Via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	MONDAY, 10th Feb., at 4 p.m.
HAKATA MARU, F. L. SOMMER.	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 14th Feb., at Daylight.
BINGO MARU, F. DAVIES.	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	SATURDAY, 22nd Feb., at Daylight.
KAGA MARU, J. W. EISTRAN.	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, U.S.A., Via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	THURSDAY, 27th Feb., at 4 p.m.

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Hongkong, February 3, 1902.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Sailing Dates.
HAMBURG *	WEDNESDAY, 10th February.
SACHSEN *	WEDNESDAY, 10th February.
KIAUTSCHOU *	WEDNESDAY, 10th February.
BAYERN *	WEDNESDAY, 10th February.
STUTTGART *	WEDNESDAY, 10th February.
KONIG ALBERT *	WEDNESDAY, 10th February.
PRINZ HEINRICH *	WEDNESDAY, 10th February.
PREUSSEN *	WEDNESDAY, 10th February.
HAMBURG *	WEDNESDAY, 10th February.
SACHSEN *	WEDNESDAY, 10th February.

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Brunswick	3501	W. Witt	Feb. 15, 1902
Duke of Edinburgh	3821	J. S. Cook	Feb. 22, 1902
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Hongkong, January 28, 1902.

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FOR	STEAMER	LEAVING
TAMSU, Via SWATOW AND AMOY.	DAIGI MARU	MONDAY, 10th February.
FOOCHOW, Via SWATOW AND AMOY.	ANPING MARU	WEDNESDAY, 12th February.
TAMSU, Via SWATOW AND AMOY.	DALIN MARU	SUNDAY, 16th February.

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Hongkong, February 5, 1902.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMER	TO ARRIVE
SHANGHAI	WANGPOA	6th February.
MANILA	KAPONG	10th February.
ILAYTO AND CEBU	KAPONG	14th February.
MANILA	CHANGSHA	20th February.
SINGAPORE, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	CHANGSHA	20th February.

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FROM	OUTWARDS.	DATE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ULYANES	10th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	TUDOR	15th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ANTHONY	20th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	CALHAN	26th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	NESBOR	6th March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	DARBYSHIRE	12th March.

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SINGAPORE AND BOMBAY	Pekin	F. J. FOX	About 14th Feb.
YMA VIA SHAI, MOJI AND KOBE	Canton	C. F. LOCKSTONE, R.N.R.	About 14th Feb.
LONDON, &c.	Pennant	R. T. COOK, R.N.R.	Noon, 15th Feb.
SHANGHAI	Batavia	R. A. FOTIAS	About 15th Feb.

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Hongkong, 20th January, 1902.

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